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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 118
By Pleasant

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Mr. Robert Anthony Robertson for being a meritorious individual and a remarkable Tennessean.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should recognize those individuals who have been exemplary Tennesseans and pillars within their communities; and

WHEREAS, one such outstanding citizen is Mr. Robert Anthony Robertson, who is currently revered and respected in his role as coach for Elmore Park; and

WHEREAS, born May 13, 1948 in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Mr. Robertson began a life that was to become one of great service and caring; and

WHEREAS, when Robert was twelve years old his mother married his stepfather, Mr. Robertson, and then the family lived in England for three years, where Robert played soccer, until he, his mother, his stepfather, and his sister, Pat, returned to the United States; and

WHEREAS, he and his family resided in Charleston, South Carolina, where Robert set records at Saint Andrew High School for his speed and ability in football; and

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WHEREAS, at the age of eighteen Robert joined the United States Marine Corps and was stationed at the Millington Naval Air Station; and

WHEREAS, Robert Robertson courageously served his country during two tours of duty in Vietnam, and then he returned home to marry Pam Holley on the 3rd of June, 1969; and

WHEREAS, their blessed union has produced two children, Henry Garrett Robertson and Holly Jean Robertson; and

WHEREAS, Robert and Pam Robertson enjoy the companionship of their four beloved grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, in 1975, Robert first became involved in coaching for a Germantown youth football team; and

WHEREAS, in 1978, he became assistant coach for the Ellendale Bears football team, and then, in 1980, he served as head coach; and

WHEREAS, in 1990, Mr. Robertson became director of the Ellendale Bears sports program; and

WHEREAS, upon realizing that he missed coaching, Robert Robertson returned to coach the Ellendale Bears from 1991 through 1995; and

WHEREAS, he served as commissioner of Shelby Youth Sports from 1995 through 1997 and, in 1998, he coached football at Brownsville Road; and

WHEREAS, he now serves with acumen and alacrity as coach for Elmore Park; and

WHEREAS, his dedication to providing quality activities for the youth of his community is much appreciated by the members of this General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, he is to be commended and praised for a life spent in service and commitment to the welfare and protection of others; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE

CONCURRING, That we offer our sincere appreciation for the efforts of Mr. Robert Anthony Robertson, and we commend him for his dedication to performing altruistic deeds.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.